



HB 1333: relative to nonconsensual provision of medication intended to terminate a pregnancy and the homicide of a fetus.

Committee: House Judiciary

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Position: OPPOSE

All people should be able to make their own reproductive health care decisions free from violence, shame and stigma, or unnecessary barriers to care. Planned Parenthood of Northern New England (PPNNE) is committed to making sure that patients are safe and supported when making decisions about their reproductive health care – including the decision to remain pregnant. But laws that increase the risks of investigation and criminalization of people experiencing miscarriage or stillbirth do not serve this goal and will only put truly patient-centered care farther out of reach for pregnant people in this state.

At Planned Parenthood New Hampshire Action Fund (PPNHAF), **we advocate for measures that will expand access to health care and that do not undermine a pregnant woman’s rights by treating her pregnancy as a distinct legal person.**

We can all agree to condemn reproductive coercion in all its forms. No one should be forced or tricked into terminating a pregnancy without their consent or knowledge, which is why at PPNNE, fully informed consent is the foundation of the patient/provider relationship. This legislation, however, does not further that goal. In New Hampshire, there are **already** severe criminal penalties in statute for causing harm to a pregnant person, including where that harm results in a miscarriage or stillbirth, whether purposely ([RSA 631:1](#)), knowingly, or recklessly ([RSA 631:2](#)).

Instead, this bill furthers a legal framework that puts pregnant people at great risk. “Personhood” laws, like what is proposed in HB 1333, are part of a years-long, nationwide anti-abortion strategy to undermine the rights of pregnant people, limit access to sexual and reproductive health care, and control people’s abilities to build the families they want.

Laws that grant legal rights to a fetus or embryo have been used to prosecute people who had a miscarriage or stillbirth and enabled law enforcement to investigate people who have a miscarriage.

The loss of a pregnancy can be tragic, especially if it could have been prevented. We support policies and laws that provide women with the opportunity to seek recourse through New Hampshire courts, but this bill does not meet that need.

HB 1333 is out of line with mainstream science and medicine, and out of touch with the will of the majority of people in New Hampshire.

We urge a vote of Inexpedient to Legislate on HB 1333.

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Planned Parenthood of Northern New England (PPNNE) is the largest provider of reproductive and sexual health care across the State of New Hampshire. We serve New Hampshire residents through 5 health centers in Derry, Exeter, Keene, Manchester and White River Junction, VT. Last fiscal year we saw more than 11,000 patients at these sites. [PPNNE was named a 2021 Guardian of Excellence Award® winner](#) by [Press Ganey](#), the national leader in health care consumer and workforce engagement. Press Ganey recognizes PPNNE as a top-performing health care organization, achieving the 95th percentile or above for performance in patient experience.